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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

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In response to the Office Action mailed February 19, 1993, please amend the above-identified patent application without prejudice as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1, 3, 5, and 7 so as to read as follows:

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(Amended) A radial tire comprising a steel cord reinforced carcass ply and an apex of a composition comprised of, based on 100 parts by weight rubber, (A) about 80 to about 97 parts by weight of at least one rubber selected from the group consisting of natural rubber, synthetic cis 1,4-polyisoprene rubber, cis 1,4-polybutadiene rubber; and (B) about 3 to about 20 parts by weight of a trans 1,4-polybutadiene rubber having at least a 65 percent trans 1,4-content and, in its uncured state, a first major melting point in the range of about 35°C to about 45°C and a second minor melting point in the range of about 55°C to about 65°C.